

# Ethical Pitfalls: Exploring counselor liability risk and ways to avoid trouble

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### TEN RISK REDUCTION STRATEGIES

- #1 Carry Personal Liability Coverage
- #2 Document Accurately
- #3 Know the State Laws and Regulations

<https://cswmft.ohio.gov/wps/wcm/connect/gov/faba2418-aa3e-4af2-99be-358454da55a5/10-18-2019+CSWMFT+Board+Laws+and+Rules+4757.pdf?MOD=AJPERES&CVID=n8Fnxqz>  
<https://cswmft.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/cswmft/for-professionals/resources-for-professionals/code-of-ethical-practice>  
<https://cswmft.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/cswmft/about-the-board/news-letter/>

- #4 Be Careful when Releasing Records
- #5 Don't Ignore Subpoenas
- #6 Avoid Billing Mistakes
- #7 Obtain Supervision & Consultation
- #8 Attend to Boundaries
- #9 Use Telebehavioral Health Best Practices
- #10 Access Available Resources